



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

SCHOOL NURSE DAY

- WHEREAS: Families deserve to feel confident that their children are cared for at school, and all students have a right to have their health needs safely met while in the school setting; and
- WHEREAS: Children today face complex and life-threatening health problems that require immediate care in school; and
- WHEREAS: School nurses are professional nurses that advance the well-being, academic success, and lifelong achievements of all students by serving on the frontlines and providing a critical safety net for children. School nurses have served a crucial role in improving public health for more than 100 years; and
- WHEREAS: School nurses act as liaisons to the school community, parents, and health care providers on behalf of children's health by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes for Georgia's children; and
- WHEREAS: School nurses also address the home and community factors that may impact the health of a student. They support the health and educational success of children and youth by providing access to care at the peak of childhood development; and
- WHEREAS: Organizations including the National Association of School Nurses celebrate School Nurse Day to acknowledge the accomplishments of school nurses and their commitment to the health and wellness of today's students; and
- WHEREAS: Healthy children are our state's most valuable asset and Georgia recognizes the school nurses throughout the state who meet the needs of our students by delivering health care in schools; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 9, 2018, as SCHOOL NURSE DAY in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 9th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Chris W. Riley

CHIEF OF STAFF